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INDEPENDENCE DAY CHURCH SERVICES

Spirit of July 4 Featured Yesterday's Sermons and Songs.

IN MANY SCRANTON CHURCHES THERE WAS SPECIAL PATRIOTIC SERVICE OR SOME REFERENCE TO THE NATIONAL HOLIDAY AND ITS TEACHINGS—CONGREGATIONS WERE LARGE DESPITE THE INTENSE HEAT—SOME OF THE SERVICES HELD.

Many church services in Scranton yesterday were wholly patriotic in spirit or contained some reference to Independence Day. Interest in what was said and done was heightened by the conflict raging in Cuba, and despite the intense heat, large congregations were the rule morning and evening.

Independence Day services were held morning and evening in the Penn Avenue Baptist church, which was decorated with national flags and one Cuban emblem, and patriotic sermons were preached by the pastor, Rev. Robert F. Y. Pierce. "God Bless Our Native Land" and "My Country 'Tis of Thee" were sung during the morning service. Rev. Mr. Pierce's sermon was on the topic "Our Nation's Glory." His text was from Leviticus xvi: 16, "Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof."

In the evening the pastor's subject was "The Banner of the Free," his text, "His banner over me was love," Songs of Solomon ii, 4. The hymns sung were "While for All Mankind We Pray" and "Onward Christian Soldiers."

UNION SERVICE.
The patriotic union service of the First and Second Presbyterian Congregations in the latter's church was held in the evening when the pastor, Rev. Dr. Charles E. Robinson, preached on the topic "Not Conquered But Emancipated." The music conducted by J. M. Chance, was of a special character appropriate to the national holiday. The selections included the following: Organ prelude, "Columbia," by George Antheil; offertory solo, "Battle Song," by Miss Black; "Battle Hymn of the Republic," by the congregation, and an organ postlude, "The Song of a Hero."

Elm Park church witnessed no prescribed patriotic service, but it showed its spirit by displaying a flag on Saturday from an immense pole situated near the front of the church edifice and between it and the parsonage. No formality attended its first raising. The pole is 102½ feet high and the flag is by 50 feet. The pole is 14½ inches in diameter at the base and 4 inches at its top. It is of spruce and is spliced near the middle.

When the colors were first displayed from the pole at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon the following were present: J. G. Shephard, Captain W. A. May, Richard Richards, Robert McKenna, Jr., and a number of pedestrians, who were attracted by the event. During the Sunday school period yesterday Superintendent May suggested that two national airs be sung inasmuch as the first part of Independence Day observation had taken place the previous day. The selections were "Star Spangled Banner" and "My Country 'Tis of Thee."

AT Y. W. C. A. ROOMS.
Yesterday afternoon's regular Sunday evening in the Young Women's Christian association rooms were almost wholly devoted to the singing of patriotic airs. Miss Lena Clark was leader and Miss Walters violin accompanist. Among the selections were a solo by Mrs. Randolph Jones, a solo, "Old Glory," by Master Clara Judd, and a duet by the little Misses Watkins. The decorations of flowers and flags were profuse.

At the Washburn Street Presbyterian church instead of the regular evening service yesterday a "national" service of a patriotic nature was held. The organ loft and pulpit platform were artistically decorated with bunting and national flags. Palms and ferns added their beautiful green to the decorations.

A. W. Dickson, of the Young Men's Christian association, was to have been present to deliver an address, but was unavoidably absent. Rev. J. P. Moffat, the pastor, made the address which was eloquent and delivered in his usual inspiring style. The responsive readings were appropriate to the occasion. The choir sang several special anthems and the congregation sang the patriotic hymns in the song service.

IN SOUTH SCRANTON.
The patriotic services at the Hickory Street Presbyterian church last evening were listened to by an immense gathering, notwithstanding the oppressive heat. The auditorium was prettily decorated with the stars and stripes and plants. Rev. W. A. Nordt preached the sermon. His theme was "Jesus the True Patriot." Mr. Nordt's discourse was a fine effort.

The opening number was a patriotic selection by Lawrence orchestra. Following, the congregation sang "Stand up, stand up for Jesus." Rev. Mr. Nordt then read from scripture and offered prayer. The children's choir, under the direction of Miss Amelia Helm, sang, Miss Lena Lentz, with much spirit and tone, recited the "Star Spangled Banner." The next number was a hymn "Onward, Christian Soldiers" rendered by the congregation. The orchestra gave another selection, and the recitation of the Lord's prayer was given by Mr. Nordt. "My Country 'Tis of Thee" was sung by the entire gathering, accompanied by the orchestra and organ. Mr. Nordt pronounced the benediction and the services closed.

SABBATH NEWS NOTES.

The annual excursion of the Penn Avenue Baptist church and Sunday school will be on July 21. Lake Ariel will be the objective point.
An inspiring sermon was delivered last night in the Providence Presbyterian church by Rev. George E. Guild on the theme, "A Great Purpose in Our Country's History."
Rev. J. A. Lieper, field secretary of the Pennsylvania Sabbath association, occupied the pulpit of the Washburn Street Presbyterian church at the regular service yesterday morning. He spoke of the great work being accomplished by the association.
Evan H. Williams, a student at Marietta Theological seminary, occupied the pulpit of the Plymouth Congregational church yesterday. In the evening Rev. Hugh Davies, pastor of the South Main Avenue Baptist church, preached.
John Fern, of North Summer avenue, delivered a short address on the topic, "Our Flag," last evening at the Simpson Methodist church instead of the regular preaching service. The speaker is a veteran of the war and his remarks were timely and eloquent.
The South Main Avenue Welsh Calvinistic Methodist Sabbath school was held yesterday from 11:15 to 12:25 o'clock, held at 3 o'clock as heretofore. The pastor, Rev. Hugh Davies, administered the monthly communion service to the communicants from the morning church service.
The regular sessions of the pastors' conference of the Abington Baptist association have closed until September. A special gathering for the culture of the Christian life is being planned for all Christian workers of the churches at some convenient place during the summer.
Rev. Robert F. Y. Pierce, pastor of the Penn Avenue Baptist church will be absent from the city for a few days as the guest of the International Christian Endeavor convention at Nashville, Tenn., and of the International Baptist Young People's Convention at Buffalo, N. Y. His absence from the city will be until July 10, by Rev. George E. Peitz, D. D., associate pastor of the Baptist temple, Philadelphia, July 11, by Rev. John Gordon, D. D., pastor of the Baptist church, Philadelphia. Mr. Pierce's address at Nashville will be "Hotel Duncan, International Christian Endeavor Headquarters." Buffalo, "Hotel Geneva, International Baptist Young People's Union Headquarters."

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